Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate

Job Description

Job Title: Associate Justice Supreme Court

Salary: Salary DOE

Employment: The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate is currently seeking an Associate Justice for the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Supreme Court. We are seeking applicants interested in serving a four (4) year term. The appointment of an Associate Justice shall be accomplished in accordance with Chapter 21 of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Codes of Law.

General Description: The Associate Justice shall preside over all appeals before the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Supreme Court.

Essential Functions:

- Demonstrated oral, written, and analytical skills commensurate with the position of the Associate Justice of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Supreme Court.
- Ability to complete written legal opinions demonstrating proper legal analysis and efficient legal writing skills, including proper legal citation.

Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

- 1. In order to serve as the Associate Justice of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Supreme Court candidates must meet the basic qualifications to be recommended to the Tribal Council for appointment.
- 2. Knowledge of Federal Indian Law
- 3. Knowledge or willingness to learn Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate customs and traditions as it relates to the codes of law.
- 4. Knowledge of trial court procedures, including jury procedures.
- 5. Prefer 5 + years of previous litigation experience as an attorney in the areas of Criminal and Civil matters.

Qualifications:

- 1. Must have a Juris Doctorate degree from an ABA accredited Law School.
- 2. Must be a member in good standing of a State or Federal Bar.
- 3. Must be of high moral character and integrity.
- 4. Must never have been convicted of a felony.
- 5. All Court Judges shall meet base qualifications and will be evaluated as outlined in the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Codes of law specifically the following areas:
 - a. Education and Background

- b. Employment and Background
- c. Judicial Experience
- d. Familiarity with Acts of Congress, United States Supreme Court decisions dealing with Indian law
- e. Administrative Experience
- f. Professional Character
- g. Moral Character
- h. Record of Criminal Convictions
- i. Willingness to Learn traditions of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
- j. Military discharge record
- k. Identification as a tribal member
- 1. Financial Stability
- m. Demeanor and Presentation
- 6. Possess a working knowledge the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribal Codes and of all relative federal, state, and tribal laws, rules and regulations.

Job Requirements:

- 1. Must have a Juris Doctorate degree from an ABA accredited Law School.
- 2. Must be a member in good standing of a State or Federal Bar.
- 3. Must sign a Confidentiality Statement upon hire and adhere to policy.
- 4. Must have a valid driver's license.

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